(b) Does not arise.

Construction of new dams

*70. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of big dams which are being planned for the next Five years and in which parts of the country; and

(b) the manner in which Government plan to raise resources for such dams?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (DR. C.P. THAKUR): (a) and (b) Major & Medium water resources and multi-purpose projects are conceived, planned and executed by the concerned State Governments from their own allocation of Plan funds. Big Dam projects proposed by various State Governments which are under various stages of appraisal at present and the States where they are located are as under:

Name of State	No. of Dam Projects		
	Major	Medium	Total
Andhra Pradesh	2	7	9
Assam	1	3	4
Bihar	6	0	6
Gujarat	0	1	1
Haryana	0	1	1
Himachal Pradesh	1	0	1
Karnataka	3	0	3
Kerala	1	1	2
Madhya Pradesh	6	0	6
Maharashtra	11	18	29
Manipur	1	0	1
Nagaland	0	1	1
Orissa	3	0	3
Punjab	1	0	1

Name of State	No. of Dam Projects		
	Major	Medium	Total
Rajasthan	0	3	3
Tamil Nadu	0	1	1
Uttar Pradesh	4	0	4
TOTAL	40	36	76

Subsidy on Haj Pilgrimage

*71. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the subsidy for Haj Pilgrimage has shot up from Rs. 10 crore in 1994 to Rs. 137.12 crore this year despite the several recommendations of Standing Committee on Transport and Tourism; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) How long Government intend to continue this subsidy;

(c) whether there is any proposal with Government to phase out this subsidy over the years;

(d) if so, what is the time-frame; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir. The subsidy has gone up from Rs. 10.51 crores in 1994 to Rs. 137.12 crores in 2000.

(b) to (e) Government have decided to set up a group of the Ministers to review the advisability of continuing the present practice of chartering of aircraft by Air India or other government agencies for haj movement *vis-a-vis* other options available, the fare and subsidy to be applicable for haj-2001 and the policy to be followed thereafter.

Declaration of Jaipur as a Heritage City

*72. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a policy or intend to have a policy to declare some cities as heritage cities;